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**Ted Stevens**

United States Senator for Alaska

Please Note:

- Fill out one request form for each request
- This form (and any attachments) can be returned via:

Fax - (202) 224-2354
Mail - The Honorable Ted Stevens
United States Senate
522 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

- Requests are due by February 15, 2008.**FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM**Project Name: Alaska Comprehensive Tribal Training Program (ACT Training Program)Project Location: Southeast Alaska

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

Please see attached project description, project justification and budget detail.

Related Appropriations Bill: _____

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: \$1,409,364Total funding to complete this project: \$1,409,364Number of years to fund this project: ThreeMatching funds from the State of Alaska: None

Matching funds from local and private entities:

Matching and in-kind funds are actively being pursued.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

Not applicable.Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: \$ 0Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: \$ 0☐ Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.

List legislation that authorizes this project:

Unknown**Check all that apply:**

- ☐ A change in the current law is necessary in order to proceed with the project. (If so, attach language and a list of laws that need to be amended)
- ☐ Bill or report language is needed. (If so, attach requested language)

**Alaska Comprehensive Training Program (ACT)
Senator Stevens Fiscal Year 2009 Project Request Form
Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Vocational Training & Resource Center**

Project Description:

The Alaska Comprehensive Training Program (ACT) will address high unemployment and work skill deficiencies in Southeast Alaska's rural areas by delivering training directly to remote communities, and helping local residents acquire skills that are necessary to secure jobs or maintain current employment and achieve career growth.

Over a three-year period, the program will train a total of 1,000 individuals in 20 communities of the region. The project will utilize a new approach that will be a combination of distance learning and mobile classroom technologies. The project will also develop the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida's Vocational Training Resource Center's capacity, by expanding regional training outreach to rural areas.

We envision having three or more mobile classrooms (buses) with computers, printers, projectors and other necessities, traveling via the Alaska Marine Highway system to remote communities of the region to conduct training. We also envision utilizing a synchronized system of content delivery (teleconferencing and low-bandwidth internet collaboration tools) for our classes. This approach will allow us to cut costs on travel and make training accessible to all residents of Southeast Alaska.

The ACT program will focus on Tribal Citizens that are seeking employment, and on IRA Tribal entity employees and ANCSA Corporation employees that are looking to update their skills. Training will be provided free of charge during the first three years; later on, the project will be sustained through a nominal fee through contracts with Tribes and Native Corporations.

Based on our input from CCTHITA Departments, Tribal and ANCSA representatives, it was decided that the ACT Training Program would be provided to Tribal citizens, IRA Tribal entity employees, and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Corporation employees in the following program categories:

Tribal Citizens: Placement Assessment (Adult Basic Education Needs), Fast Forward Program (Comprehensive Language Program), Basic Literacy (Reading, Writing and Math), Life Skills) and Development of Individual Education Plans (IEP).

IRA Tribal Employees: Basic and Advanced Computer Skills, Accounting/ Bookkeeping Fundamentals, Budgeting, Grant Writing, Grant Management, Cultural Customer Service, and Robert's Rules of Order.

Alaska Comprehensive Training Program (ACT)

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Asynchronized Content/Distant Delivery Equipment	\$ 20,000			\$ 20,000
Computer Software Programs				
Microsoft Office Suite (\$70 x 15 Laptops)	\$ 1,050	\$ -		\$ 1,050
Adobe Creative Suite CS3 (\$1800 x 30; 15 @ Computer Lab, 15 @ Laptops)	\$ 54,000	\$ -		\$ 54,000
Student Travel (15/Session)				
Air Transportation (\$900 RT/Student x 30). Number based on half of students traveling into Juneau.	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000		\$ 54,000
Per Diem (Lodging, Local Transportation & Food): 60 Students, half = traveling. 30 x 10 days x \$225/Pdiem/Day)	\$ 67,500	\$ 67,500		\$ 135,000
Total Expenses				\$1,076,919
CCTHITA Indirect Rate (30.87%)				\$ 332,445
Grand Total				\$1,409,364